



MARCONI

Colours: Light Blue

1. ALLAN MAHER
2. PETER BROGAN
3. PAUL DEGNEY
4. JOHN RUSSELL
5. IVO PRSKALO
6. TONY HENDERSON
7. GARY BYRNE
8. ROBERTO VIERI
9. MARK JANKOVICS
10. BERTI MARIANI
11. PETER SHARNE
12. EDDIE KRNCVIC
13. STEWART SELVAGE
14. KEN LINDSAY
15. BARRY JONES
16. MIKE BERRY

COACH: LES SCHEINFLUG

**NEWCASTLE KB
UNITED**

Colours: White, Brown and Green

20. JIM PRESTON
2. PETER WILLIS
5. BILL SUMMERSCALES
6. ROY DRINKWATER
15. COL CURRAN
19. MALCOLM McCLELLAND
7. ARNO BERTOINA
4. CRAIG MASON
22. BRETT COWBURN
9. KEN BODEN
10. GRAHAM HEYS
12. JOE SENKALSKI
16. PETER TREDINNICK
14. JOHN SNEDDON
13. KEVAN KEELAN
1. PHIL DANDO

COACH: ALAN VEST

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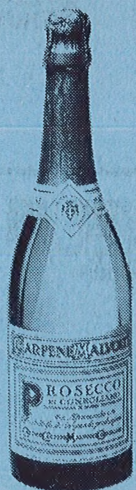
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EDITORIAL:

The Coach Comments

by LES SCHEINFLUG.

The break of nearly three weeks has been of great benefit to the Marconi players.

It has allowed several of them to overcome nagging injury problems and I'm sure the boys are in fine shape and looking forward to today's match against Newcastle KB United.

Before the break in the Philips League program, the team was going well and it is not unreasonable to expect that form to continue — starting today.

While several Marconi players have had a rest from competitive football, seven were involved in training with the NSW State squad for last Sunday's match against Norwich City.

It was gratifying for our fans to see how well the Marconi men performed against the English first division side. Marconi provided the backbone of the State side — and all of our selected players rose to the big occasion.

Peter Sharne, Eddie Krncevic, Mark Jankovics, Ivo Prskalo, Paul Degney, Gary Byrne and "the man of the match" Tony Henderson proved they have the ability to push themselves to the limit in the NSW colours. Now I look to them to repeat that sort of form for their club.

I don't want to be inhospitable when Marconi are entertaining Newcastle KB United but I hope our visitors return home tonight without any points! It is a vital match for my team because a win would put us in a strong position as the second half of the PSL approaches.

Finally, let me congratulate Newcastle on the excellent work they are doing for the code of Soccer. The KB club is a model for all. It is a privilege to have an opportunity to beat them today!.



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The magnificent 4 - 1 victory by New South Wales over Norwich City last Sunday was a particular triumph for Marconi.

In Rudi Gutendorf's State team, no fewer than seven Marconi men played a major part. All seven excelled themselves and we feel their efforts should be recorded in this match programme.

Well done — Paul Degney, Ivo Prskalo, Gary Byrne, Mark Jankovics, Peter Sharne, Eddie Krncevic and Tony Henderson.

Prskalo, making a late bid for national recognition, hardly put a foot wrong. Degney, particularly when he joined in the second half attack, was great. Henderson completely blotted out the menace of Justin Fashanu, Norwich City's talented centre-forward. Byrne was his usual hard-working capable self in midfield. And in the front line, Krncevic played his finest game since moving to Sydney from Melbourne, ably assisted by the speed and aggression of Jankovics and Sharne.

Seven is a lucky number for most people. It was certainly a lucky number for Rudi Gutendorf when he called up these good players from Marconi.

It was all quite shattering for Norwich City boss John Bond.

Interviewed by David Jack on Channel Seven's "Sportsaction" a few hours before the match, Bond said he was not impressed by Australian talent, and Soccer had made no progress here since his last visit five years ago.

Those comments were thrown back at Bond after the NSW victory but he took the ribbing in good spirit.

Despite the disappointment of seeing his team soundly thrashed, Bond said: "Full marks to NSW. My team was disintegrated in the second half. You should be proud of this performance by the State side."

And nobody was more proud than the Marconi club.

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"FORZA MARCONI"



Back Row: EDDIE KRNCVIC, TONY HENDERSON, MARK JANKOVICS, PAUL DEGNEY, JOHN RUSSELL.
Bottom Row: PETER SHARNE, ROBERTO VIERI, IVO PRSKALO, GARY BYRNE, ALLAN MAHER, MIKE BERRY.
(Photograph by Eddie Camilleri)

JUNIOR SOCCER NEWS

We would like to take this opportunity in thanking the Junior's for the support they gave the Seniors on the 13th May, when Marconi played Apia at Wentworth Park. Owing to such short notice we had a very pleasing roll up.

Once again the U/15's are playing the lead up game to to-day's National League game.

As from the 26th June, 79 the following junior teams are doing very well.

Southern Dist. Competition


- U/11's — These boys are playing well as a team having 3 wins and a draw in the last 4 matches. They are coming third in the Competition.
- U/12's — They have not been so lucky but they are trying and putting more effort towards each game played. 100% effort from them last Saturday coming a draw with the previously undefeated team.
- U/13's — This team is well on its way to a winning run. Being undefeated so far with only 2 matches to the end of the first round.

Federation

- U/14's — This team are also undefeated, leading by 4 points. Their ball work and defence have been excellent.
- U/15's — They are working well as a team and are settling down to play good soccer. They are coming fourth.
- U/16's — Boy's doing well in second place. Excellent goal keeping in this team.

The Marconi Junior Soccer are having a Soccer Night in the Club Marconi Auditorium on Friday 29th June, 79. Tickets \$3.00 each and are available at the Front Office.

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CLUB NEWS from MARCONI

At the recent Supporters function in our licensed club, a magnificent response from many people raised the sum of \$23,600 for the Soccer.

This was a tremendous effort. The committee of the Soccer Club wishes to take this opportunity of thanking all those who helped.

It is common gossip in the club that Marconi has been making serious attempts to bring a top player here from Italy.

Unfortunately, a series of problems has made the task almost impossible.

We were hoping our former player, Renato Colusso, would have been back in Sydney and playing for Marconi by now but this, too, has not been achieved.

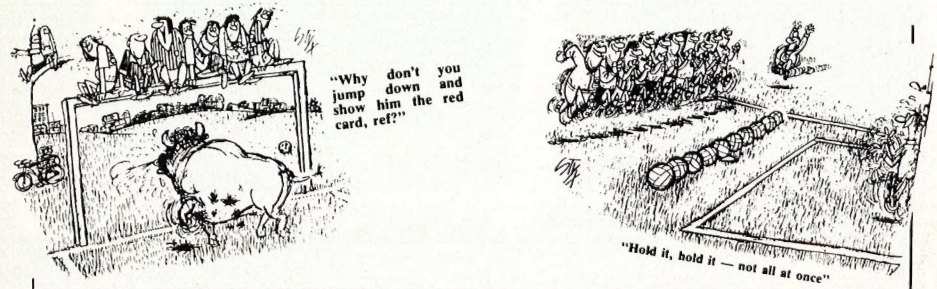
The Soccer committee wants to assure fans that everything possible was done. We were not successful.

Now the signing of a leading player from Italy has been put on ice until the 1980 season. Judging by all the frustrations we've experienced recently, it will take that long to arrange things anyway!

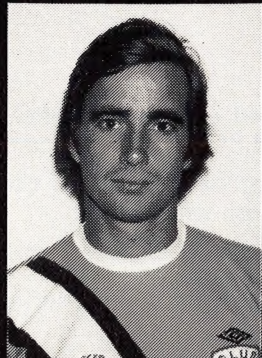
Hands off Marconi players! That is the message to any interested clubs - here or overseas.

Marconi is not interested in selling any first grade player - in particular Peter Sharne.

It was reported last week that Sharne may be offered terms by English first division side, Norwich City. Well, the Norwich Canaries can sing as much as they like - there is no chance of Marconi agreeing to release such an exceptionally talented player.



PROFILE ON JOHN RUSSELL



FULL NAME: John Claude Russell
BIRTHPLACE: Sydney
BIRTHDATE: 29th November, 1951
HEIGHT: 5' 10 1/2"
WEIGHT: 11st 7lbs
MARITAL STATUS: Married
WIFE'S NAME: Donna
CHILDREN: Kelly 2 1/2 & Scott 1 yr.
HOBBIES: Surfing & spending time with wife
FAVOURITE FOOD: Everything
FAVOURITE MUSIC: I enjoy all music
WHAT SPORT WOULD YOU LIKE TO EXCELL IN IF YOU WEREN'T INVOLVED IN SOCCER. WHY? Surfing, because of the freedom it provides.
FAVOURITE SOCCER PLAYER: Kevin Keegan - Magic
FAVOURITE AUSTRALIAN SOCCER PLAYER: Jimmy Rooney & the whole Marconi Team.
BEST LIKED OVERSEAS SOCCER CLUB: L/Pool
WHAT PERSON(S) HAD THE GREATEST INFLUENCE ON YOURSELF IN YOUR SOCCER CAREER. WHY? Stan Ackley & Jimmy Rooney because of their determination to reach the top.
WHAT ARE YOUR SOCCER AMBITIONS? To win every game I play until retirement
AMBITIONS OTHER THAN SOCCER: To live well and comfortably without worries.
YEAR JOINED MARCONI: 1977
PREVIOUS CLUB: Apia

(Photographs by Eddie Camilleri)

ALLAN MAHER



FULL NAME: Allan Maher / NICK NAME: "Spider"
BIRTHPLACE: Sydney
BIRTHDATE: 1st July, 1950
HEIGHT: 5' 7"
WEIGHT: 11st 5lbs
MARITAL STATUS: Married
WIFE'S NAME: Susan
CHILDREN: Martina 4 & Adrian 2
HOBBIES: Swimming
FAVOURITE FOOD: Scanzelli
FAVOURITE ARTIST: Rod Stewart
SOCCER LIKES & DISLIKES: Pro Season winning
PET-HATE SOCCER: Bad Referees
PET-LIKE SOCCER: Good Referees
WHAT SPORT WOULD YOU LIKE TO EXCELL IN IF YOU WEREN'T INVOLVED IN SOCCER. WHY?
FAVOURITE SOCCER PLAYER: O'Leary - Sepp Myer
FAVOURITE PERSON (outside Soccer): My family
BEST LIKED SOCCER CLUB (most admired): O'Leary - H.S.V. Hamburg / Australia - Marconi
MOST ADMIRED SPORTING PERSONALITY OTHER THAN SOCCER: Stan Ackley & Jimmy Rooney
WHAT PERSON(S) HAD THE GREATEST INFLUENCE ON YOURSELF IN YOUR SOCCER CAREER. WHY? Stan Ackley & Jimmy Rooney
WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO IN THE SPORTING AREA WHEN YOUR PLAYING DAYS ARE OVER? Coach, Manager
WHAT ARE YOUR SOCCER AMBITIONS? To win a Premiership
AMBITIONS OTHER THAN SOCCER: Succeed in Business.
PREVIOUS CLUBS: Nth Rocks Jun., Wests, Granville & Sutherland
YEAR JOINED MARCONI: 1975
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: Marconi v. Hakoah '76.
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A Breath Of Fresh Air Called NEWCASTLE!!

by David Jack (Sydney Sun)



The most comprehensive public relations exercise ever attempted by a Soccer club in Australia was carried through with great success by Newcastle KB United recently.

Newcastle, through its hard-working secretary Paul Trisley, invited some 25 Soccer writers from Adelaide, Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane and, of course, Newcastle to spend a couple of days as guests of Newcastle KB United . . . to find out what makes a top Soccer club tick.

It was a most enlightening experience. Newcastle managed to charm air tickets from TAA, rooms from three different motels, plus lavish free meals from the International Sports Centre Trust and Lloyds seafood restaurant.

While we were not being wined and dined, we attended valuable meetings organised by media people such as NBN 3 TV and the Newcastle Herald and Sun.

And to cap it all, the symposium was rounded off perfectly by attendance at the KB United v Norwich City match.

In some European and South American countries, this type of promotion is regarded as almost commonplace. But in Australian Soccer . . . well, it was something quite unique.

I mention this affair because it indicates exactly why Newcastle is regarded so highly by so many people.

Newcastle KB United work hard to sell their product . . . PSL Soccer.

They deserve success. And if that sentiment upsets my Marconi friends - who certainly do not want to see KB United succeed today - I trust it is taken in the right spirit.

Newcastle is the only city in Australia which can truthfully say Soccer is its number one sport. Go into a pub or a club and the conversation is inevitably about Soccer. In two days I hardly heard Rugby League mentioned.

I believe there is room for all codes of football in Australia and, for that reason, have never knocked any rival code. At the same time, it is a welcome change for Soccer lovers to realise they are top dogs in a large city. We should not be blamed if we crow a little about the fall of Rugby League from supremacy in Newcastle.

On behalf of all Australian Soccer writers, let me congratulate Newcastle KB United on the great work they are doing for the game. I am sure Marconi are happy to join in the congratulations.

The Marconi Visitors -

NEWCASTLE KB UNITED

No club has made a bigger impact on the Philips Soccer League than Newcastle KB United. Elected to the PSL only last year, Newcastle achieved remarkable success by whipping up enormous enthusiasm among the sporting fans of Northern NSW and emerging as the club with the biggest spectator support in the competition.

This season, the KB team has carried on the good work and, in one game against Sydney Olympic, pulled in more than 18,00 fans.

It is Marconi's pleasure to welcome such distinguished opponents to our ground, with a particular welcome for Alan Vest, the KB manager-coach, and Paul Trisley whose efforts as club secretary are responsible for so much of Newcastle's success.

Now meet the KB players (jersey numbers in brackets):-

JIM PRESTON - goalkeeper (20). Arrived in Australia in February after playing for the famous Scottish amateur team, Queens Park. Was promoted to first grade when regular Phil Dando lost form. Preston has played only three times for Newcastle.

PHIL DANDO - goalkeeper (1). An Englishman, who was once with the famous Liverpool club. A model of consistency last season when he played in every match. Keen to win back his place.

PETER WILLIS - full-back (2). Played with Leeds United and Preston North End in England and was a Yorkshire Schools representative. Age 21. Likes attacking down wing. Had 25 games in 1978.

BILL SUMMERSCALES - centre-half (5). Very strong in the air, Summerscales was noted Supporters Club "Player of the Year" in Newcastle in 1978. Was in Rudi Gutendorf's preliminary national squad recently. English-born. Age 30.

ROY DRINKWATER - centre-half (6). An ever-present last year, Drinkwater captained Newcastle in its first PSL season. Earned the wrong sort of headlines last year through "own goals" but seems to have conquered that problem. Age 25.

COL CURRAN - full-back (15). One of Australia's greatest home-born players, Curran was, without doubt, a world-class player in his prime. Now approaching veteran stage, Curran is still a defender of outstanding ability. Star of 1974 World Cup campaign.

MALCOLM McCLELLAND - midfield (19). One of Rudi Gutendorf's Under 19 stars, McClelland went to New Zealand with this year's Australian Youth team but missed the trip to Paraguay. A hard-tackling redhead and product of Booragull High School.

ARNO BERTOONA - midfield (7). Signed this season from Perth Azzuri, this Australian-born player has a bright future. Served his Soccer apprenticeship with Sheffield United and also in Germany.

CRAIG MASON - midfield (4). Another of KB's Englishmen, Mason started his career with Arsenal. Had a great 1978 season, playing in every match and scoring some spectacular goals. Age 22.

PETER TREDINNICK - midfield or winger (16). Has not made the expected progress this year after being rated (with Greg Woodhouse) Australia's outstanding player in the Youth Championships in Paraguay. At 18, he is surely heading for a big Soccer career.

BRETT COWBURN - midfield (22). Yet another of the Newcastle players who has interested Rudi Gutendorf. Cowburn's good performances for Newcastle in recent weeks have earned him selection in Australia's Youth squad.

KEN BODEN - centre-forward (9). Age 28 and one of the most gifted strikers in Australia, Boden is booked to play a big part in Australia's next World Cup challenge. Voted by Soccer Writers as "PSL Player of the Year" in 1978, Boden was joint top scorer in the competition with 14 goals. English-born.

GRAHAM HEYS - right-wing (10). Brought to Australia this year from non-League football in the north of England, red-haired Heys has made an instant impact. An English Youth international, Heys at 22 is young enough to develop into star quality.

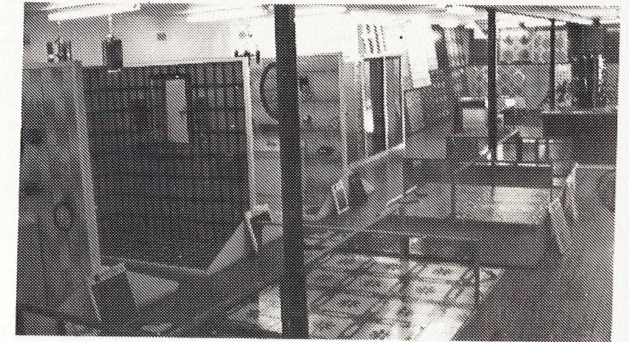
JOE SENKALSKI - forward (12). Senkowski has been around NSW Soccer for several years but is still only 21. A boy wonder, Joe was interested in a career in England but finally settled here with Sydney Olympic. Returned to his home town when transferred to KB United.

JOHN SNEDDON - midfield (14). Formerly a defender, Sneddon has become a very good midfielder. In 1977, Sneddon was winner of the Northern NSW "Best and Fairest" trophy. Age 26. In second season with Newcastle KB United.

KEVAN KEELAN - forward (13). Arrived in Australia only a few days ago from English non-League Soccer. Keelan is a striker who has been playing well for Stalybridge Celtic in the Cheshire League. KB hope his clearance will arrive in time for Keelan to play against Marconi today.



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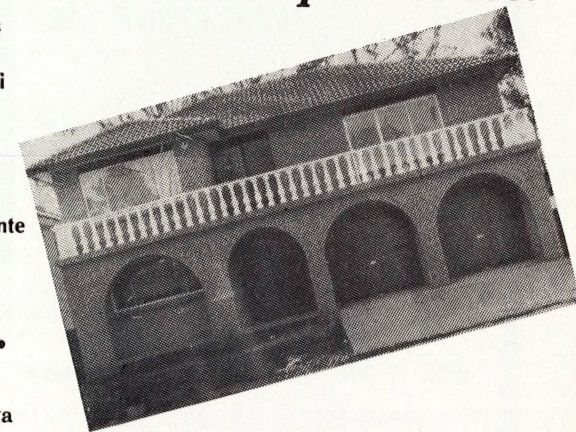
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